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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

RE: Request for Waiver - CC Docket no. - 02-6

Applicant: Northwest Passage 1
BEN: 209437
Application Number: 875674
Funding Year 2012 Form 471 Postmarked Outside of Window Letter
Requesting a Waiver

This letter is a request to the FCC to waive the Form 471 application filing window deadline.

This writer was under the impression that I was following correct protocol in the filing process. I was receiving emails from USAC reminding me that I had so many days left to file. I thought I was within the correct filing timeline. What I did not know, was that the date I filed form 471, was out of the filing window, so that it could be available for bids 28 days before the application process was due.

I have been filing the forms for the last 5 years and have always complied with the rules. My office was in the process of moving during the last few weeks of February when the deadline to file Form 471 came and went. When I did get back to normal working conditions I still thought I was well within the filing timeline. I filed my Form 471 on March 1, 2012.

I appreciate you taking the time to look into this situation and giving me an answer. I will be available if you have any questions or concerns, at the number listed above, or by email, louisew@nwpltd.org.

Again, thank you for your time in this matter.

Louise Wilson
Office Manager
Northwest Passage, LTD

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**FUNDING YEAR 2012 FORM 471
POSTMARKED OUTSIDE OF WINDOW**

October 2, 2012

Louise Wilson
NORTHWEST PASSAGE 1
203 UNITED WAY DRIVE
FREDERIC, WI 54837

Re: Applicant's Form Identifier: 4712012
Form 471 Application Number: 875674

We're sending this letter to thank you for your recent Form 471 application. Your Form 471 application and/or certification was submitted online or postmarked AFTER the deadline for an application to be considered as filed within the window.

Program rules require us to hold your application pending final review of those applications that were filed within the window. We will post an announcement on the USAC website at www.usac.org/sl once we determine if funding applications that were submitted within the application filing window will fully utilize all the funds available for this Funding Year.

For more information about the processing of pending applications, about funding for applications filed after the close of the filing window or about plans for future funding years, please visit our website or call the Client Service Bureau at 1-888-203-8100.

TO APPEAL THIS DECISION:

If you wish to appeal a decision indicated in this letter, your appeal must be received by USAC or postmarked within 60 days of the date of this letter. Failure to meet this requirement will result in automatic dismissal of your appeal. In your letter of appeal:

1. Include the name, address, telephone number, fax number, and email address for the person who can most readily discuss this appeal with us.
2. State outright that your letter is an appeal. Include the following to identify the decision letter and the decision you are appealing:
 - Appellant name,
 - Applicant or service provider name,
 - BEN,
 - Application number 875674 as assigned by USAC,
 - "Funding Year 2012 Form 471 Postmarked Outside of Window Letter,"AND
 - The exact text or the decision that you are appealing.

3. Please keep your letter to the point, and provide documentation to support your appeal. Be sure to keep a copy of your entire appeal, including any correspondence and documentation.

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4. If you are an applicant, please provide a copy of your appeal to the service provider(s) affected by USAC's decision. If you are a service provider, please provide a copy of your appeal to the applicant(s) affected by USAC's decision.

5. Provide an authorized signature on your letter of appeal.

To submit your appeal to USAC by email, email to appeals@sl.universalservice.org. USAC will automatically reply to incoming emails to confirm receipt.

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To submit your appeal to us on paper, send your appeal to:

Letter of Appeal
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PO Box 685
Parsippany, NJ 07054-0685

You have the option of filing an appeal with USAC or with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). You should refer to CC Docket No. 02-6 on the first page of your appeal to the FCC. Your appeal must be received by the FCC or postmarked within 60 days of the above date on this letter. Failure to meet this requirement will result in automatic dismissal of your appeal. We strongly recommend that you use the electronic filing options described in the "Appeals Procedure" posted on our website. If you are submitting your appeal via United States Postal Service, send to: FCC, Office of the Secretary, 445 12th Street SW, Washington, DC 20554.

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